



Docket No.: 0445-0343P  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Takanobu MIYAMOTO et al.

Application No.: 10/668,201

Confirmation No.: 004117

Filed: September 24, 2003

Art Unit: 3765

For: METHOD FOR RESTORING BULKINESS OF  
NONWOVEN FABRIC

Examiner: L. D. Worrell

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

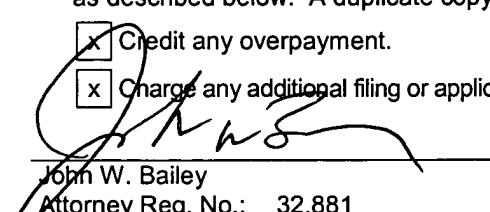
**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			Docket No. 0445-0343P		
Application No. 10/668,201-Conf. #004117		Filing Date September 24, 2003	Examiner L. D. Worrell	Art Unit 3765	
Applicant(s): Takanobu MIYAMOTO et al.					
Invention: METHOD FOR RESTORING BULKINESS OF NONWOVEN FABRIC					
<b>MS Amendment</b> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	19	- 20 =		x	
Independent Claims	10	- 7 =	3	x 200.00	600.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					360.00
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<b>Effective on 12/08/2004.</b> <b>Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).</b>		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>For FY 2005</b>		Application Number	10/668,201-Conf. #004117
		Filing Date	September 24, 2003
		First Named Inventor	Takanobu MIYAMOTO
		Examiner Name	L. D. Worrell
		Art Unit	3765
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	0445-0343P
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b>		<b>(\$)</b>	<b>960.00</b>

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	
19	- 20 =	x	=	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
				360.00	360.00

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
10	- 7 =	3 x 200.00 =	600.00

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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